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- LEVEL PAPER

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1. JAN 10 WORKING GROUP SESSION SUBSTANTIALLY REVISED
THE AVERAGE MANNING LEVEL (AML) PAPER AND A NEW EDITION
IS TO BE ISSUED SHORTLY.
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2. MAIN CHANGES INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:
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A) AGREEMENT TO REWRITE PARAS 6-8 TO MAKE CLEAR THAT
AML PERCENTAGES COULD BE OBTAINED IN A NUMBER OF WAYS,
AND THAT THE FORMULAE PRESENTED IN THE PAPER ARE ONLY
ILLUSTRATIVE;
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B) THE WG RESISTED EFFORTS TO TRIM PARA 13 AS
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SUGGESTED REFTEL B (IT IS NOW BRACKETED), AND REQUESTED
US SUPPLY LANGUAGE TO REPLACE AT LEAST THE FINAL
SENTENCE OF THIS PARA;
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C) PARAS 16, 17 AND 18 HAVE BEEN DELETED, BUT PARA
15 HAS BEEN RETAINED TO DEMONSTRATE THE POINT, MADE IN
THE LAST SENTENCE OF PARA 17, THAT A SMALL DIFFERENCE IN

PERCENTAGE MANNING LEVELS MAKES A LARGE DIFFERENCE IN
MANPOWER TOTALS;

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D) US QUESTIONS WILL BE SUBSTITUTED IN PARA 26; AND

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E) US DEFINITIONS (ON "ASSIGNED" AND "OPERATING"
STRENGTH) WILL BE ADDED TO THE ANNEX.

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3. WE EXPECT TO RECEIVE AN ADVANCE COPY OF THE REWRITE
JANUARY 16 AND WILL COMMENT FURTHER ON ADDITIONAL MINOR
EDITORIALS AT THAT TIME.

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4. NEXT MBFR WG MEETING WILL BE THURSDAY, JANUARY 26.
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